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SUBJ: SHAYKH HAMAD'S IMPRESSIONS OF U.S. AFTER DEATH OF HIS FATHER

1. IN CONNECTION WITH DEATH OF SHAYKH JASIM BIN HAMAD AL THANI, ON JULY 20, CHARGE AND CONSUL MADE CONDOLENCE CALL ON HIS SON SHAYKH HAMAD BIN JASIM, GOQ COMMANDANT OF POLICE. DURING COURSE OF THIS MEETING, HAMAD TOLD CHARGE AND CONSUL THAT HE WANTED TO PERSONALLY THANK US FOR THE HEROIC EFFORTS MADE IN U.S. TO SAVE HIS FATHER. HE SAID THAT HE WAS CONVINCED THAT BEST OF EVERYTHING HAS BEEN OFFERED OR TRIED IN ATTEMPT TO PULL HIS FATHER THROUGH, BUT WITH LUNGS, LIVER AND KIDNEYS GONE, THERE WAS NOTHING MORE THAT COULD HAVE BEEN DONE.

2. SHAYKH HAMAD SAID THAT DESPITE DEATH OF HIS FATHER, HE FELT THAT MONTH SPENT IN DENVER WAS ONE OF BEST IN HIS LIFE BECAUSE IT PROVIDED HIM WITH LONGEST CONTINUOUS PERIOD IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH HIS FATHER. THIS WAS RELATED AS HAMAD TOLD A TRAGICALLY SAD STORY OF HOW HE HAD NEVER HAD ENOUGH TIME AND OPPORTUNITIES TO GET TO KNOW HIS FATHER. THEREFORE, A MONTH OF VERY CLOSE CONTACT IN DENVER PROVIDED WHAT HE HAD MISSED UP TO THAT POINT IN HIS LIFETIME.

3. HAMAD REPEATEDLY EXPRESSED HIS MARVEL, THANKS AND GRATITUDE FOR THE TOTAL MEDICAL CARE AND SERVICES PROVIDED BY "YOUR PEOPLE"

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AS HE PUT IT. AS A RESULT OF THIS, HE ALSO SAID THAT HE NOW

REALIZES THAT QATAR MUST HELP WITH MEDICAL RESEARCH AT HOSPITALS LIKE ONE WHICH TREATED HIS FATHER. HE THEN SAID THAT HE WOULD TALK TO HIS UNCLE, THE AMIR, SHAYKH KHALIFA BIN HAMAD AL THANI AND TRY TO PERSUADE HIM TO CONTRIBUTE TO MEDICAL RESEARCH IN U.S. AND PARTICULARLY TO HOSPITAL WHICH TREATED HIS FATHER, SHAYKH JASIM.

4. SHAYKH HAMAD HAS ALREADY BEGUN TO PUT INTO MOTION HIS EXPRESSION OF THANKS FOR EFFORTS MADE IN U.S. ON BEHALF OF HIS FATHER, AND HAS INVITED TO QATAR 7 OR 8 OF THE DOCTORS AND NURSES OF THE HOSPITAL WHERE HIS FATHER WAS TREATED. HAMAD SAID THAT THE INVITATIONS HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED AND VISIT WILL TAKE PLACE AROUND CHRISTMAS TIME. HAMAD SAID THAT AT THAT TIME HE WOULD ASK AMIR TO MAKE CONTRIBUTION REFERRED TO ABOVE.

5. WE ARE VERY PLEASED TO SEE USG SO FAVORABLY THOUGHT OF AFTER THE PRIVATE EFFORT IN DENVER TO SAVE SHAYKH JASIM, AND WE ARE PARTICULARLY PLEASED TO SEE THAT A HIGH RANKING GOQ OFFICIAL IS THE CARRIER OF SUCH GOOD TIDINGS. HAMAD IS A VERY PERSUASIVE FELLOW AND WITH THIS POSITIVE AND OPTIMISTIC FRAME OF MIND WITH REGARDS TO U.S. AFTER HIS FATHER'S DEATH, IT WOULD NOT BE AT ALL SURPRISING TO SEE: IN ADDITION TO TRIPS TO QATAR FOR THE 7 OR 8 PERSONS INVITED, INDIVIDUAL AND VERY GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS TO EACH; A GENEROUS CONTRIBUTION TO THE HOSPITAL WHERE SHAYKH JASIM WAS TREATED; GOQ CONTRIBUTIONS TO MEDICAL RESEARCH IN U.S. AND FINALLY MORE QATARI GOING TO U.S. FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT.

6. ALTHOUGH OUR OFFICIAL ROLE WAS MINIMAL IN CONNECTION WITH SHAYKH JASIM'S HOSPITALIZATION IN STATES, THESE SMALL EFFORTS DID CONTRIBUTE TO THE VERY POSITIVE IMPRESSION SHAYKH HAMAD NOW HAS OF U.S. AND THE POSSIBILITIES IT OFFERS. THIS IS ALSO SMALL, BUT FINE EXAMPLE OF HOW USG AND PRIVATE SECTOR IN U.S. CAN WORK TOGETHER IN WINNING A FEW POINTS. I BELIEVE WE HAVE WON SOME HERE BECAUSE I HAVE NEVER SEEN A HIGH RANKING QATARI OFFICIAL MORE GRATEFUL AND IMPRESSED WITH U.S. AS WAS SHAYKH HAMAD.

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